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STATUS INQUIRY

Applicants filed a patent application in this matter on August 20, 2001. Applicants have received a Filing Receipt dated September 21, 2001. The PAIR system indicates that the case had completed IFW TSS processing by the Tech Center on May 10, 2004. Applicants have not heard anything from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since the date of the Notice of Publication of Application dated February 20, 2003. More than three years have passed since the filing of this patent application.

It is respectfully requested that Applicants be advised of the status of this patent application.

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